[Mr. C. P. Kocukunju Pillai.]

(*b*) the number of cases so conducted by each of them;

(*c*) the amount given in each case with the year of payment; and

(*d*) the reasons for such special remuneration?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) A statement* giving the required information is laid on the table.

(*d*) Special fees were paid, as the officers concerned were called upon to do work other or more onerous than their ordinary work.

Muvattupuzha-Kariyar Canal.

359. MR N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam* cum *Ettumanur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the existence of a canal which starts from the Muvattupuzha frontier, and passing through the villages of Kattampakkal and Kadutturutti, joins the Kariyar;

(*b*) whether they are aware of the fact that this canal has been blocked up at Edattumkadavu in the Kadutturutti *pakuthi* and that thereby great damage is being done to cultivation in the locality; and

(*c*) whether they will instruct the Public Works Department to remove the obstruction and save the agricultural population of the adjoining villages?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The Chief Engineer is doing the needful in the matter.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam* cum *Ettumanur*): May I know, Sir, whether any estimate will be prepared and whether the work will be executed next year at least?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The matter is under investigation. The question of providing for the work in the next year's budget will be considered during the budget time.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam* cum *Ettumanur*): I wish to know whether any estimate will be prepared and whether the work will be executed at least next year.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That can be decided only after the investigation is over.

Statement of Applications and Appointments in the Excise Department.

360. MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of applicants for appointment as Petty Officers, Sub-Inspectors and

* *Vide* appendix III—pages 1209 to 1211.

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